

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: SLEEVE AND A MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **November 24, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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